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SUBJECT: INDOCHINA EVENTS SEEN FAVORING MOSCOW'S ASIAN SECURITY PLAN

1. POLISH MEDIA COVERAGE OF DEVELOPMENTS IN VIET-NAM AND CAMBODIA HAS BEEN CONFINED LARGELY TO REPORTING EVENTS AS A SHARP SETBACK FOR SOUTH VIET-NAM AND US POLICY IN SOUTH-EAST ASIA WITHOUT SIGNIFICAN LOCAL COMMENT. HOWEVER, SLOWO POWSZECHNE EDITOR JANUSZ STEFANOWICZ, WRITING IN THE APRIL 2 ISSUE, TOOK THE OCCASION TO DUST OFF MOSCOW'S LONG-STANDING ASIAN COLLECTIVE-SECURITY SCHEME. ANALYZING INDO-CHINA DEVELOPMENTS, HE CONCLUDES THAT THE DEFEAT OF AMERICA'S ALLIES THERE SIGNIFIES THE END OF PAX AMERICANA IN THE FAR EAST, WITH THE END OF THIS "ONE-SIDED, NEO-COLONIALISTIC" EFFORT TO ORGANIZE THE REGION, THE SOVIET COLLECTIVE-SECURITY CONCEPT BECOMES OPPORTUNE, ACCORDING TO STEFANOWICZ. HE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GOES ON TO OBSERVE THAT IMPLEMENTING THE PLAN WILL NOT BE

EASY, OWING TO CHINESE INTRIGUES, US DISINCLINATION, AND THE CONFLICTING AMBITIONS OF LOCAL POWERS SUCH AS JAPAN AND INDIA. FURTHER NOTING THAT, IN CONTRAST TO EUROPE, ASIA DOES NOT SHOW A CONSCIOUSNESS OF CORPORATE DESTINY, STEFANOWICZ CONCLUDES BY DECLARING THAT SUCH A CONSCIOUSNESS REPRESENTS THE ONLY WAY TO ASSURE PEACE THERE.

2. COMMENT: SLOWO POWSZECHNE IS THE DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED BY PAX, THE REGIME-ORIENTED CATHOLIC LAY ORGANIZATION, WHICH IS WIDELY RUMORED TO HAVE KGB CONNECTIONS OF SOME UNSPECIFIED NATURE.

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